IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

TODD ALAN BROWN, No. 4:22-CV-01156

Plaintiff, (Chief Judge Brann)

v.

CORPORAL FRANKS, et al.,

Defendants.

ORDER

AND NOW, this 13th day of February 2024, in accordance with the accompanying Memorandum, **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that:

- 1. Defendants' motions to dismiss under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 12(b)(6), (Docs. 62, 64, 66), are **GRANTED** in part and **DENIED** in part, as follows:
 - a. Plaintiff's Fourth Amendment excessive force claim under 42 U.S.C. § 1983 against defendant Corporal Bledsoe is **DISMISSED** with prejudice pursuant to Rule 12(b)(6) for failure to state a claim upon which relief may be granted.
 - b. Plaintiff's Fourteenth Amendment deprivation of property claims are **DISMISSED** with prejudice as to all Defendants pursuant to Rule 12(b)(6) for failure to state a claim upon which relief may be granted.
 - c. Defendants' motions are **DENIED** in all other respects.
- 2. The Clerk of Court is directed to terminate defendant Corporal Bledsoe.
- 3. Plaintiff's official capacity claims are **DISMISSED** pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1915(e)(2)(B)(ii) and (iii) as they fail to state a claim for relief or are barred by Eleventh Amendment sovereign immunity.

- 4. This case will proceed only as to Plaintiff's individual capacity Fourth Amendment excessive force claims against defendants Corporal Franks and Trooper Yaworski.
- 5. Defendants Franks and Yaworski shall respond to the remaining Section 1983 claims as required by Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 15.

BY THE COURT:

s/Matthew W. BrannMatthew W. BrannChief United States District Judge